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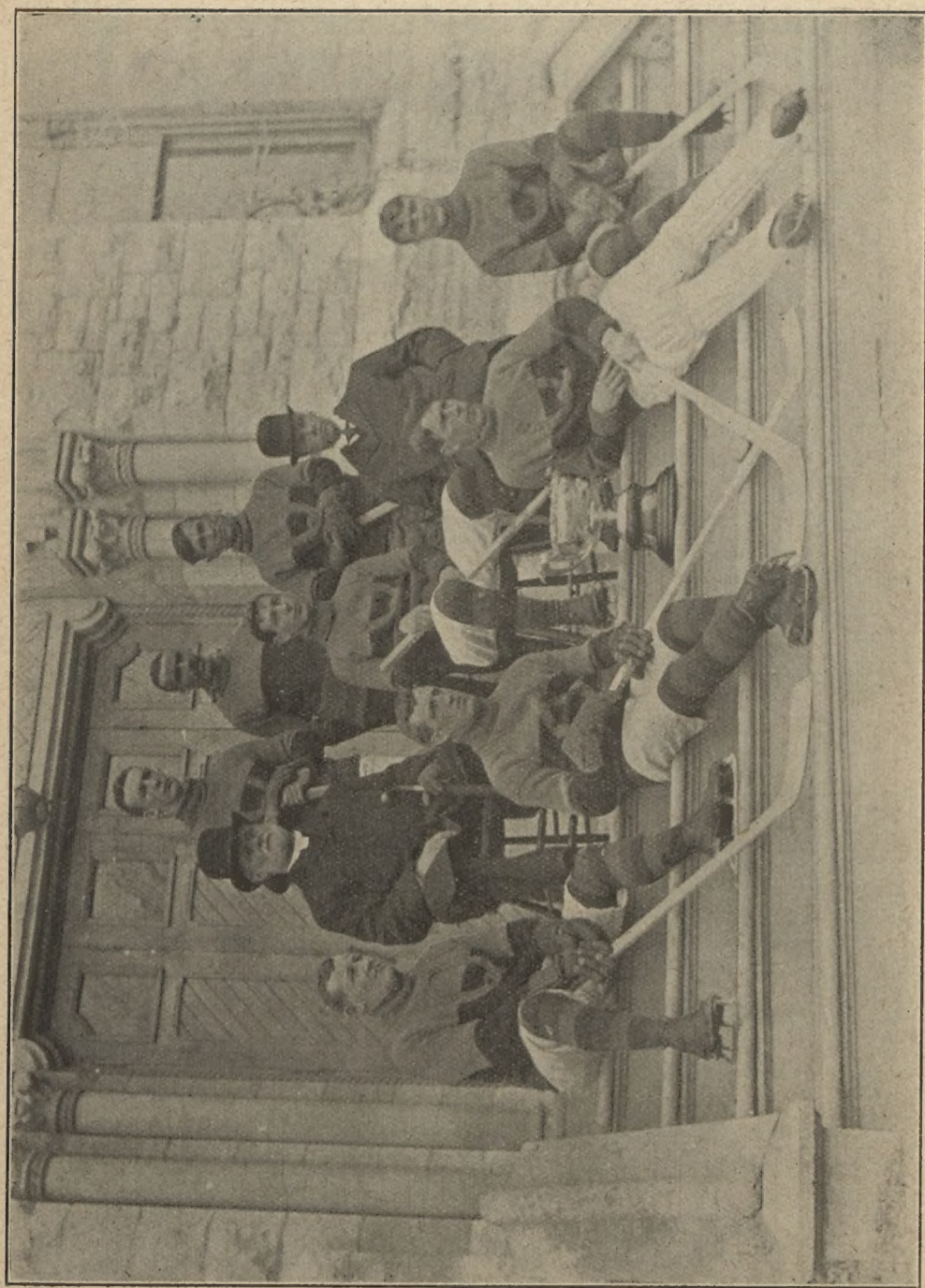
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## *Press Time Stories.*

**D**URING the day and far into the night a newspaper office is a public place, like a railway station or a market. Men come in on business, and on no business. They come bringing news and looking for news. They chat with the editor and waste his time. They try to wheedle free advertisements out of the management. They attempt to sell poetry and stories and jokes. They leave long stalks of corn and big pumpkins to be placed on exhibition in the window. They make suggestions and requests and ask questions. And what questions they do ask! "What sized shell does the Dreadnought's smallest gun fire?" "What hotel in the city sells drinks after hours?" "What was Longboat's time in the World Marathon of 1906?" "Can you give me the exact date of the Glory Whalen murder?" But the numbers who visit the offices with their requests and questions are small when compared with those who telephone their queries, and who ask all sorts of outlandish questions "to decide a bet" or "because my grandfather has been a subscriber for I really don't know how many years." A newspaper lives, in a measure, by preying upon the public, and this is the penalty it must pay.

But there comes an hour in every day when no seeker of cheap publicity ventures in, when bettors and questioners are at rest and the jangling telephone is still. The bells in the clock towers have boomed three. Darkness still enfolds the city, and outside the office only the noises of the night are heard; the grinding of the late car on the rails; the tramp of the policeman through the empty street; the whirr of some late reveller's auto slipping past, or the rattle of a milk cart on the pavement stones. It is press-time. The last item is in type. The last form is locked and cooking over the stereotyper's fire. Two minutes, and the saw will be eating the jagged edges off the page. Down the chute goes the plate to the press-room. Bang! It is in its place and the great rollers are turning. Faster and faster! You can feel the whole building vibrate.

It is at this time that the newspaper men, the high pressure under which they have been working having relaxed, show to best advantage. What stories are told in these early morning hours as the men gather to wait for the cars that will bear them home; what reminiscences are recalled; what witticisms evolved; what shrewd criticisms of men and things given forth. They sit about on desks and chairs in the dimly-lighted, much be-littered sanctum and tell of past adventures and men they have known—few but have interviewed some great ones in their day. Sometimes the foreman from the newspaper room happens down and tells of things as they were in the time of "the old chief." Or a grizzled compositor,

who was a tramp printer in his youth and worked his way through the great offices from Canada to the Gulf in the days before the rattling linotype was known, will recount tales of Brown, and Dana, and Greely and other mighty wielders of the editorial pen.

Few of the tales these early hours bring forth find their way into print. They concern newspaper work and workers chiefly and often seem flat and uninteresting when done into cold type and read without the accompanying music of the press, and in places where one might look long and find no ink-pot or paste brush or shears, no heaps of discarded exchanges, no baskets of crumpled copy paper. Besides, the men who tell these yarns are too busy recounting the multifarious doings of other men to spend much time writing of their own adventures. And so the stories die, or pass down by tradition like the heroic legends of old, no doubt embellished on the way by the fancy or whim of each successive relator. Here are a few of them:—

#### INTERVIEWING MARK TWAIN.

Bill McKinley was a reporter on a Montreal evening daily, an old-time reporter with a weakness for whiskey blanc—strange in one so Irish as Bill—and a knack of picking up choice bits of news that no one else seemed able to find. In some ways Bill wasn't a very reliable newspaper man. No one disputed the accuracy of his news stories, but when the city editor sent him on an assignment, he could never be sure that the report would be in in time, or that it would be in at all. That depended very much on the way Bill was feeling and on the friends he chanced to meet between the newspaper office and the spot to which his duties called him. Bill would even disappear for a day or two, now and then, re-appearing some morning bedraggled and shame-faced but never deigning to offer an apology. He didn't need to offer any, for these expeditions were more often than not productive of one or more of those exclusive stories which newspaper men call "scoops" and which city editors, as a class, regard as the very breath of their nostrils. A hundred times when the czar of the office had quite made up his mind that Bill's journalistic career was to end, as far as that paper was concerned, the stray-away had saved the situation by flinging on the irate editor's desk a "wad" of copy which made that worthy shout for joy.

But to the story. It happened one Friday afternoon in early summer, that Mark Twain arrived in Montreal. Of course, there was a scramble to interview him, but Mark refused point blank to be interviewed, and escaped to the home of Sir George M——, with whom he was to go yachting down the St. Lawrence. McKinley had been off on a longer jaunt than usual, and when he reached the office Saturday morning the city editor informed him that the only way in which he could save his situation would be by getting an interview with Mark Twain. So Bill started. At Sir George M——'s house he learned that Sir George and his guest were on the yacht "Swan" in the harbor, and intended steaming down the river in the course of an hour or so. Bill had to hurry, but not so fast that he couldn't pause at half a dozen places to imbibe long draughts of his favorite beverage. He easily located the "Swan" swinging at anchor a couple of hundred



yards from shore. That was nothing. For a quarter a boatman pulled Bill out to the yacht and left him swinging on a rope ladder that was hanging over the side. When the boatman was gone, and his bridges thus burned behind him, Bill mounted to the deck. The whiskey blanc was having its effect by this time and his gait was not as steady as it might be, but he made his way to the first man he saw,—Sir George's butler—and informed him that he had come "to interview Mark Twain." The butler was greatly incensed and ordered Bill to leave the boat instantly, threatening dire consequences if he didn't do so. But the reporter assured him that there was no way of leaving. Besides, he had "come to interview Mark Twain." Sir George heard the loud talking and came along. Bill told him as he had told the butler, that he had "come to interview Mark Twain." Sir George, in his anger, threatened to have him flung in the river. Bill didn't mind; simply told the knight he couldn't swim, and again expressed his intention of interviewing Mark Twain. Some more words followed, and then the famous humorist came along. He had worked for a newspaper himself in his young days, and he took in the situation at a glance. Bill's daring appealed to him, and he took the reporter down into the cabin and wrote out a short interview with his own hand and signed it. That was Bill's "scoop."

#### TRIMMING MURPHY'S BEARD.

In addition to gathering news, the reporters on most papers are expected to secure photographs of persons, places and incidents concerned with the news stories they turn in. Every paper has a collection, more or less extensive, of cuts made from these photographs. These are filed away, ready for instant use. But mistakes sometimes occur. It chanced a few years ago that a once prominent Montrealer named Joseph Murphy died. The city editor of a certain daily decided to publish a half-tone with the obituary notice, but on looking up his index he discovered cuts of two Joseph Murphys. One Murphy wore a beard, the other did not. No one in the office knew which Murphy had died, and as this was rather an important point, a reporter was dispatched post-haste to find out. When the time for making up the page arrived, and no word had been received from the reporter, the city editor decided to "take a chance." The page was stereotyped with the cut of the bearded Murphy in the centre. The plate had been firmly bolted on the press and there was no longer any possibility of changing the cut, when the 'phone on the city desk rang, and the breathless reporter at the other end of the line informed his chief that "the deceased Mr. Murphy never wore a beard." Here was a rather pretty complication. The dead Murphy, of course, would acquiesce in anything, but his friends might not be so easily pacified. The living Murphy, too, might object to having his portrait published as that of a man finished with this world. It might injure his business. Anyway, it would raise unpleasant visions of friends sending flowers, or gathering for the "wake." Something had to be done and done instantly, and something was done. In less than a minute after receiving the message the city editor was in the press-room and the foreman was hard at work with a cold chisel, frantically shaving off Murphy's beard. It is safe to wager that none of the bewhiskered gentle-

man's friends recognized him when the paper came out. But the story doesn't end here. A heartless contemporary saw immediately what had happened—perhaps it had narrowly escaped itself—and next day it published the portraits of the two Murphys and between them a picture of the Murphy shaven with the chisel.

#### AN OVER-LONG REPORT.

An Ontario district judge who died not long ago was, in his younger days, a reporter on the *Toronto Globe*, and occupied a place in the press gallery of the old legislative buildings. At the same time he was studying law, and often when he had a few minutes to spare, or when things were dull in the House he would spend his time pouring over some law book in the Assembly library. One day he had carried some notes on a speech down to the library, and, after writing his report there, spent an hour or so over some learned volume, making copious notes and thoughtlessly numbering his pages right on from the report he had written. He remained in the library so long that he was compelled to make haste to the office. He handed in his copy, but the city editor was busy and sent it on to the compositors without reading it, and it was put into type. The proofreader into whose hands the report fell, was one of those human machines who read for errors in punctuation and spelling and give no heed to the sense of the matter. He passed the "story" and when it came out next day, the honorable member from the back townships, who had spoken for some fifteen minutes on agricultural fairs, was, no doubt, somewhat surprised to learn that he had delivered a learned dissertation of a half column or so on the difference between a tort and a crime.

#### THE SINS OF THE GLOBE.

Another story on the *Globe* may be worth the telling. Some years ago a staff correspondent made a bicycling tour through Quebec province, stopping at out-of-the-way villages and farm-houses and sending a letter now and then back to his paper. One evening he reached the home of an old maître d'école to whom a curé in a nearby village had recommended him. The schoolmaster had a fair knowledge of English and the newspaper man had no difficulty in conversing with him. After a time, however, the old man was called out on some business, and the task of entertaining the stranger fell to his good dame, whose proficiency in English was none too great. Her courtesy would not suffer her to allow her guest to sit in silence, so she began talking to him in a curious mixture of French and English. She had heard her husband mention "The Globe" several times in the course of his conversation and she took up the same theme, assuring her visitor with many gestures and volumes of words that had no meaning to him that she did not like the *Globe*. Wondering, he asked her why, and another avalanche of words followed, chiefly French, but he managed to pick out the oft-repeated sentence: "Eet ees not good! Eet ees not good!"

"But why? How?" he persisted.

"See," said his hostess, and she held out her hand with a long, jagged cut in it, stretching almost from the point of one finger up into the palm.

"The Globe," she added significantly, "eet. ees not good."

The newspaper man, now thoroughly puzzled, continued the conversation, but with little success. His wonderment, no doubt, showed on his face, for the old lady at last beckoned him to follow her.

"Come! See!" she said encouragingly, and led him out through the kitchen to the little woodshed behind. There, from behind a nest of tubs, she drew forth a washboard with the corrugated iron rusted and broken in several places. Across the top were the words "The Globe" in large blue letters.

"The Globe," murmured the old lady, as she handed out the board; "the Globe, eet ees not good."

CAUGHT ON THE FIRE ESCAPE.

Persons not belonging to the Fourth Estate sometimes envy the newspaper man the liberties accorded him. He can pass through the police lines at a fire. He can stand inside the fence at a football match. He can often enter a theatre without a ticket. He is a *persona grata* at the railway stations, and in a dozen other ways favors are shown him. But these liberties come, as a rule, from long acquaintance with the men who accord them and the reporter who forgets this sometimes finds himself in embarrassing situations. A year or so ago a Toronto newspaper sent a representative to Goderich to report a Methodist conference in session there. The main report was easy to get and was quickly despatched to Toronto. The stationing committee, however, found some difficulty in completing its work and remained in session till early in the morning. The reporter was conscientious and remained up too. Shortly after one o'clock he secured his news and hurried with it to the telegraph office. Then he started for his hotel. But Goderich streets are not all straight and the finding of that hotel occupied nearly an hour. When the reporter finally reached the door he found it locked, and no amount of hammering seemed to have any effect on the slumbers of the clerk. A search around for other doors to pound at, showed the newspaper man the fire-escape, and up this he started, hoping to enter by some upper window. But just as he reached the second floor a figure in uniform came out from the shadow of a nearby building and called on him to come down. The town policeman had been watching him in his rambles about the streets and was sure he was a burglar. Of course the reporter explained, but it was no use. He had to spend the night in the police station, though he was not put in the cells. To make matters worse the representative of another Toronto paper, who had been "scooped" on the standing committee's report the night before, wired the whole story of his rival's adventures to his paper, and it was published in full.

A SERMON BY TELEPHONE.

The recent religious controversy, which had its centre in Toronto, furnished large amounts of copy for the newspapers and added considerably to the reporters' Sunday work. It was utterly impossible, of course, for any paper to send representatives to every church where the preacher was likely to touch upon the topic under discussion. Many of the men were required to report two or even three churches, and the plan they followed was to attend one church and to get

the ministers of the others to give by telephone short summaries of what they had said. Most of the ministers called up complied with the request readily enough, but one reverend gentleman undertook either to play a practical joke on the reporter, or to punish him for not attending his church. He insisted on reading his entire sermon from text to peroration over the telephone. Only one who knows what a sweat-box the telephone booth in that particular newspaper office is, can realize the agony suffered by the reporter during the twenty-five minutes the reading of the sermon occupied.

D. A. MCGREGOR.

## *Engineering Honour*

*Address to '09 Science by Hon. Pres., Prof. Gill.*

I N reading one of the leading newspapers a short time ago, my attention was drawn to a leading editorial dealing with the management—or rather the mismanagement—of the Intercolonial Railway. Referring to the suggestion recently made, that this railway should be leased to some of the other large systems,



THE SIR MONTAGU ALLAN CUP.



the editor makes the following statement: "The best solution of the difficulty would probably be to lease the road to private capital on a percentage basis, with a guarantee as to the maintenance in good order of equipment, road bed, etc. Failing satisfactory arrangement of this kind, the road should be put under control of a competent and independent commission, if such an one could be obtained. The trouble is that as things are being run now it would be almost impossible to obtain such a commission. We might get honest commissioners, but would they know how to handle the railroad if they were not practical railway men. *On the other hand, if they were practical railway men, what assurance is there that they would not be bound to the party wheels, and thus consciously or unconsciously run things, much in fact as they are now being run, with an eye more or less upon the politics of the day?* Recent disclosures of graft and dishonesty in high places certainly do not hold out much hope of relief, through Government by commission, because of the not altogether unwarranted assumption that the commission might be influenced politically." The reflection here made on the sheep is not sufficient to cast a dark shadow over the whole flock. There are men with low standards in other professions, but the number is so small that no man would be warranted in casting such a reflection on the profession as a whole, as the one referred to. In referring to *other* professions the assumption is made that engineering is also a profession. While this is not strictly true, it is nevertheless customary to refer to engineers as professional men. This custom can do no harm, but on the other hand it should encourage us to so maintain our relations with the public that the reference will be merited. The relation between the clergyman and his parishioner, the physician and his patient, the lawyer and his client, are regarded by law as sacred and inviolable. If engineering is to merit the status of a profession, those men who profess to be engineers must assume the same obligations with respect to their clients. The public regards engineering in its various branches as a special subject, not easily within the grasp of the layman. It therefore places itself in trust in the hands of the engineer in the same way as the patient places himself in the hands of the doctor. He is thus placed under the utmost moral obligation to respect that trust. It follows that if a man professes to be an engineer, he must necessarily profess at the same time to maintain a high ethical standard in his relations with the public. It is because men think they can profess the former without the latter, that we have such public reflections as the one referred to.

The moral duties of the engineer are threefold: First, his duty to his client; second, his duty to the public; and third, his duty to the profession.

**His Duty to His Client.**—This, of course, is the most important obligation to be considered, and the one which must have preference to all others if there is a conflict. It is hardly necessary to say that the client is entitled to the very best thought and service of which the engineer is capable. The essential principles involved in the relations between the two are the same as those existing in the older professions, although there are many circumstances which call for the employment of special means to properly maintain these principles. It is well known, for instance, that many engineers have affiliations with engineering or manufac-

turing concerns. An engineer with such an affiliation may recommend to his clients the products of the concern in which he is interested, and the manufacturer in turn may recommend this engineer to the public. While such a relation is usually condemned in the medical profession, it is universally approved among engineers. This circumstance, however, need not prevent the engineer from carrying out his moral obligations fully, for all that is necessary is to acquaint the client of his relation with the manufacturer and follow his best judgment in the work.

Another circumstance which differentiates engineering from other classes of professional work lies in the fact that in many cases the work of the engineer takes the form of drawings and data which are usually regarded as the property of the engineer and not of the client. Such records, as far as they go, constitute a statement of the affairs of the latter, and consequently their custody involves important points in the relations between the engineer and his client. If these records are misused, it is obvious that the consequences may be serious, and here-in lies a great difference between engineering and the other professions. In this respect moral responsibility devolves upon the engineer in greater degree than upon others. Notwithstanding this the professional relationship between the engineer and his client in respect to its confidential nature is not recognized by law as inviolable, as in the case of the physician and the lawyer. It is my opinion, however, that it should be so recognized, and in any case the engineer should recognize it as applying to himself, and for this reason should be more scrupulous in dealing with confidential matters than members of other professions.

The profession of engineering has recently become highly specialized and future scientific discoveries will make it more so. The work of the engineer must therefore, of necessity, be largely educational and he should consequently regard his client as his student. He is thus given the opportunity to exercise a direct influence in the moulding of the moral character of his clients, the proper exercise of which is the best means of bringing honour to the profession.

His Duty to the Public.—The duty of the engineer to the public is largely educational. If the public regards engineering as a special subject with which it is not capable of dealing, is the engineer not under the strongest obligation to guide it aright? When a man trusts you, you are morally bound to respect that trust, otherwise you lose—or should lose—your standing in society. We all know that a mass of misleading, foolish, and sometimes deliberately deceptive information is published and circulated, very often, it must be admitted, with the deliberate view of misleading the public. This is particularly true in the field of mining engineering, but in fairness to the profession it must be said that the majority of those men who are guilty of such practices are not fitted either by education or practical training to undertake any work of this character. They are merely adventurers, but their misdemeanors and failures nevertheless bring the profession into disrepute. Many of these men secure entrance—by fair means or foul—to our professional societies, and this gives them a certain status in the eyes of the public, which has no other standard by which to measure them. I would therefore urge upon you young men who are about to enter the profession and on whose

character and ideals the future of the profession depends, to interest yourselves in these societies and see to it that only those who are eligible shall be admitted, for if the profession is to be an honored one, it must first merit that honor; and since the character of any body of men depends entirely on the character of its individual members, it follows that before the engineering profession can command the respect of the public, each individual member must merit that respect.

I have stated that the duties of the engineer to the public are largely educational. Many engineers when asked a question, reply correctly, and point out the misstatements and errors; but how many of us are good teachers? How many of us take the pains to make the real situation clear to the layman? Take as an illustration the almost daily statement that someone has invented a new motor or engine that will draw trains 150 or 200 miles an hour. The majority of engineers, if questioned regarding such a statement, would no doubt say that it is absurd, that they don't believe it, that such a thing has been tried a number of times without success, etc., but how many are there who take enough interest to set the public right, to explain that travel at any such speed is entirely a question of roadbed and right of way, that it is easy to construct a motor which will pull any train at these speeds, but that practical roadbed conditions prohibit it, and that the most perfect track ever built is so irregular that a train would be liable to be derailed at such a speed. It ought to be clear to every engineer, then, that in giving clear and concise explanations to the layman, he is doing a duty to the public and a service to his profession; and the more the public is enabled to understand the real facts the more discriminating it will become.

*His Duty to His Profession.*—It is perhaps superfluous to state that every man owes an everlasting debt to his parents who have toiled and provided for him when he was not able to provide for himself, and who are ever solicitous for his well-being. As a parallel to this it follows that every engineer is a debtor to his profession from which he receives countenance and profit. The principle of doing something for your fraternity is so well established, however, that it does not require very full discussion. It is found even among the lower animals. Yet there are those who pay no attention to the official society which represents the profession to which they belong. To those who do not interest themselves in the improvement of their profession, I would say that if the profession is poor and without honour, so are you, and if the profession does not prosper, neither do you.

There are many ways in which you can support, encourage and contribute to the dignity of your profession through the medium of its society. Even the mere attitude of the approval of the society's existence is of great value, but to give the public to understand that you believe in your society and follow its standards is much more important.

A more commonplace but none the less positive reason for supporting your society, is that you are making profit out of the art which it represents and which it is trying to improve and dignify. Your obligation is therefore definite. It is to your interest that the profession should be improved; and I need not ask whether or not it would be right to allow your fellow professionals to bring about this result and then for you to reap the benefit.

## *Dr. Osler on Rhodes Scholars.*

**D**R. William Osler, Regius Professor of Medicine and head of the department of medicine at Oxford University, in an article in the *Yale Daily News* to-day tells how Rhodes scholars from this country going to Oxford should learn to adapt themselves to the conditions they will meet. He writes:

The Americans who will get the greatest help from the scholarship are (a) those who look forward to an academic career; (b) research students in science, literature or history; (c) professional students in law, medicine and theology.

The Rhodes scholar should come prepared to get an education neither Oxonian nor Anglican, but European; and this I consider one of the greatest advantages offered to the men who come to England under this trust. The Oxford terms are short—only three of eight weeks each. Let me outline the academic life of a young fellow who means business.

He gets settled in Oxford by the middle of October and his first term is one of bewilderment, sometimes discouragement. The day after the term closes sees him in a pension in Paris—and alone—no other student with him, or he will not learn to speak French. As there is practically no Christmas vacation at the Sorbonne he will have six weeks during which he can hear three or four lectures on any study he may have selected, and he can begin to get interested in its French literature.

After the winter term in Oxford, April 14 sees him again in Paris for a second period of six weeks.

The summer term in Oxford will open his eyes to the possibilities of English life, but early in June he is back again in Paris with two clear months ahead in which he should get a good reading and speaking knowledge of French, hear the lectures of the best men on his specialty, and he will have become familiar with his French literature.

From the middle of August to October 10 is spent at the seaside in a French family, looking after his health and studying four or five hours a day.

Returning to Oxford for the second year he begins to feel that he understands a little of English and French life.

The short eight weeks term passes and December 7 sees our scholar with a ticket to Berlin or Leipsic, prepared to spend his vacations in mastering the German language and getting in touch with the German side of his work. He will go back to the same place in April for another period of six weeks and in these two visits he should have a fair knowledge of the language—enough, at any rate, so as to be able to understand lectures.

Back to Oxford for the delightful summer term, during which there is so much to do that no one can do any work. The middle of June, Leipsic or Berlin again for the young summer semester. From the middle of August to the middle of September he will be in a German family part of the time and for a few weeks he will join some of his fellow students in a walking tour in Switzerland.

The last Christmas vacation? Yes, Paris again, a few more lectures and the Sorbonne. The Easter vacation will puzzle him—where? Let him find the



man who is making the greatest stir in his subject in Europe and put in the last continental visit with him. Then for the saddest of all the Oxford terms—the one before graduation. But the Western light will be in his eyes and the longing for the home which (if he is sensible) he has not seen for two years and nine months.

Of this period he will have spent about seventy-two weeks in England and about sixty-four abroad. Perhaps, if there is any money left, he should see Scotland before he sails.—*Copied from New York Sun.*

## *Work on the Coast of Labrador.*

THIS was the subject of a very interesting address given by Dr. W. T. Grenfell, C.M.G., in Grant Hall, on Monday evening, April 12. The hall was full almost to overflowing, and in spite of the fact that the examination season was at its height, there was a fairly large number of students in the balcony. Principal Gordon acted as chairman, and very appropriately so, for as the speaker said in the course of his address, Dr. Gordon was about the second man he met on his arrival in Canada some seventeen years ago. Furthermore, these two gentlemen met for the second time only on this present occasion. A large number of very interesting scenes were thrown upon a screen by means of a lantern, and these illustrated the various aspects of Dr. Grenfell's work on these bleak northern coasts, as well as the life, habits and surroundings of the fisher folk among whom and for whom he labored. Many of the scenes were exceedingly pathetic, and all were instructive, and greatly enhanced the appreciation of the audience for the self-sacrifice and soul-winning work of the great man who is to the inhabitants of Labrador, physician, surgeon, lawyer, magistrate and missionary, all in one.

The story of his life and labors was simply told. At first he practised his profession of surgery in England, but was soon attracted by the humanitarian aspect for which there was so much opportunity in London. Soon his attention was turned to Labrador, and for the last seventeen years his whole life has been spent in doing all in his power for the material and spiritual welfare of the deep-sea fishermen who dwell along its coasts. Nor have his efforts been to the slightest degree in vain. He found, on his first arrival, that the liquor traffic and the drink habit were the two greatest evils to be combatted. He immediately began to wage war against the liquor boats with the result that for the last fifteen years there has not been one in the business. At the present time there is not a single place on the Labrador coast where liquor is sold. The series of addresses which he has been making on his tour through North America has been for the purpose of raising \$100,000 with which to establish a sailors' institute at St. John's, Newfoundland. As it is now, saloons are the only places open to sailors there in which to congregate to spend idle hours. Over four hundred dollars was subscribed on the occasion of his visit to Kingston, and there is no doubt that the

extraordinary interest in his work, which has been exhibited on the part of his audiences, is proof that the whole amount will be speedily raised.

Dr. Grenfell laid especial stress on the hospital work that was being carried on under the direction of himself and a couple of other young doctors. The character of the country was as beautiful as can be found anywhere. The men of the harbour coast are men of splendid physique, cheerful and optimistic, despite their hard surroundings; and they meet adversity with a fine spirit. It is practically impossible to discourage them. But more workers are needed; and there is no doubt that Dr. Grenfell's sincere and inspiring words will have the desired effect in this regard.

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## *Exam. Results.*

THE following are the lists of graduates and prize winners in Medicine, Science, Arts, and Theology:

*Degree of M.D. and C.M.*—E. J. Bracken, Ellisville; J. E. Brunet, Clarence Creek; L. L. Buck, Railton; E. P. Byrne, Kingston; D. R. Cameron, M.A., Lancaster; D. A. Carmichael, B.A., Unionville; H. E. Chatham, Stettler, Alta.; W. A. Claxton, Kingston; J. W. Corrigan, Roslin; P. O. Coulombe, Cheneville, Que.; W. H. Craig, B.A., Kingston; L. M. Dawson, Ottawa; C. S. Dunham, B. A., Kingston; Alexander Ferguson, Williamstown; J. E. Galbraith, Chatsworth; J. C. Gillic, Chapleau; T. J. Goodfellow, B.A., Parham; Irvin Hardy, Davis, W. Va.; A. R. Heupt, Melbourne, Australia; C. A. Hughes, Grenada, B.W.I.; J. B. Hutton, Kingston; C. H. Knight, Georgetown, B.W.I.; H. M. Lermont, B.A., Trinidad, B.W.I.; A. Letherland, B.A., Glenvale; T. N. Marcellus, Williams-

burg; J. J. McCann, Perth; M. C. MacKinnon, Whim Road Cross, P.E.I.; J. J. McPherson, Nigg, P.E.I.; C. J. McPherson, Metcalfe; O. W. Murphy, Portland; J. S. Quinn, Tweed; A. L. Raymond, Williamstown; B. C. Reynolds, Cornwall; D. Robb, B.A., Battersea; A. J. Salmon, Lucea, Jamaica; J. C. Shillabeer, Regina, Sask.; J. H. Stead, M.A., Lyn; W. G. Wallace, B.A., Metcalfe; B. L. Wickware, Toledo; H. C. Workman, B.A., Kingston.

THE PRIZE LIST.

*Faculty Prize in Anatomy*—W. E. Wilkins, Vernon.

*Faculty Prize, \$25, for highest mark on second year examinations in Anatomy, Physiology, Histology and Chemistry*—R. A. Simpson, Chatham, N.B.

*The New York Alumni Association Scholarship, \$50, for highest mark in Honor Physiology and Histology*—F. Boyd, B.A.

*Faculty Prize for highest percentage of marks on second year examination in Materia Medica, Therapeutics and Pharmacy*—R. A. Simpson, Chatham, N.B.

*The Dean Fowler Scholarship for highest percentage of marks on work of the third year*—S. M. Polson, M.A., Kingston.

*Faculty Prize for best written and practical examination in third year Pathology*—S. M. Polson, M.A., Kingston.

*The Chancellor's Scholarship, value \$70, for highest percentage on four years' course, tenable only by those who take the examinations of the Ontario Medical Council*—M. C. MacKinnon; next in order, J. J. McCann and D. A. Carmichael, B.A.

*Prize of \$25 given by Dr. W. C. Barber for best examination in Mental Diseases*—M. C. MacKinnon, Whim Road Cross, P.E.I.

*Medal in Medicine*—J. J. McCann, Perth.

*Medal in Surgery*—D. A. Carmichael, B.A., Unionville.

*House Surgeoncies in Kingston General Hospital*—The following are recommended in order of merit: J. B. Hutton, C. S. Dunham, B.A., M. C. MacKinnon.

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*In Mining*—W. G. S. Agassiz, Kingston; S. Blenkhorn, Canning, N.S.; F. A. Brewster, Banff, Alta.; P. J. Browne, Kingston; W. M. Campbell, Eganville; G. H. Kilburn, Stratford; W. E. Lawson, London; J. K. Osborne, Marquette, Mich.; F. Ransom, Deloro; J. N. Scott, Wallaceburg; M. Y. Williams, Bloomfield; T. B. Williams, Bloomfield.

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*Electrical*—J. G. Daley, Ottawa; W. O. Dwyer, M.A., Kingston; D. S. Nicol, Cataragui; W. J. Orr, B. A., Kingston; O. M. Perry, Perth; F. H. Ryan, Newburgh; T. B. Speers, Appleton; S. A. Woods, Tamworth.

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*Power Development*—A. W. Haddow, Simcoe; C. U. Peeling, Campbellford.

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*Chancellor's Scholarship in Practical Science*—D. K. MacLeod, Parkhill.

*Mowat Scholarship*—W. S. Earle, Picton.

*Degree of LL.D.*—Alexander Graham Bell, Brantford; Prof. E. Barnard, Yerkes Observatory; Judge McGuire, Prince Albert, Sask.

*Degree of D.D.*—Prof. Kennedy, Knox College, Toronto.

*Degree of Ph.D.*—H. T. Wallace, B.A., B.D., Kingston.

*Degree of M.A.*—D. C. Caverley, Foxboro; Ethel Code, B.A., Almonte; M. S. Colquhoun, Deloraine, Man.; W. W. Doxsee, Peterboro; S. H. Henry, Morrisburg; J. C. Cooper, Picton; C. W. Lawrence, Smyrna, Turkey; H. W. Macdonnell, Kingston; J. H. McDunnough, Berlin, Germany; J. A. McRae, Gravenhurst; F. R. Parker, Elmira, N.Y.; M. J. Patton, Wyndham Centre; D. W. Shaw, Fellows; W. A. Skirraw, Kingston; R. W. Warwick, Smith's Falls; H. T. White, B.A., Stratford.

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MEDALS.

*Latin*—May L. Macdonnell, Kingston.  
*Greek*—H. W. Macdonnell, M.A., Kingston.  
*German*—Jessie Muir, B.A., Almonte.  
*French*—Ethel Code, M.A., Almonte.  
*English*—Donalda J. Dickie, Galt.  
*Philosophy*—D. A. McArthur, M.A., Dutton.  
*History*—D. C. Caverley, M.A., Foxboro.  
*Political Science*—M. J. Patton, M.A., Windham Centre.  
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*Geology*—H. T. White, M.A., Stratford.  
*Physics*—W. W. Doxsee, M.A., Peterboro.

UNIVERSITY PRIZES.

*Professor's Prize in Latin*—W. C. Clark, Martintown.  
*Latin Prose Composition*—May L. Macdonnell, Kingston.  
*Alexander Gold Medal in Preliminary Honor German*—A. L. Harris, Kingston.  
*Professor's Prize in French*—Mary I. Dobbie, Niagara Falls.  
*Rogers' Prize in English*—F. E. Cann, Oshawa.  
*Lewis Prize*—J. O'Brien, Regina, Sask.  
*McLennan Prize in Hebrew*—C. B. Pitcher, Wilsonville.  
*Gowan Foundation in Botany*—W. M. Crawford, Dubec, N.B.  
*Gowan Foundation in Political Science*—M. S. Colquhoun, M.A., Deloraine, Man.  
*Calvin, in Latin*—H. S. Smith, Ottawa.  
*MacLennan, in Greek*—P. Macdonnell, Kingston.  
*Gowan Foundation No. 3*—G. L. Fraser, Edmonton, Alta.  
*Professor's Prize in Modern History*—T. J. Doyle, Wayside.  
*Professor's Prize in English History*—W. C. Clark, Martintown.  
*Professor's Prize in Preliminary Honor History*—A. G. D'Orland, Bloomfield.  
*Professor's Prize in German*—W. F. Dyde, Kingston.

SCHOLARSHIPS IN THEOLOGY.

*Sarah McClelland Waddell*, \$120—A. D. Cornett, B.A., Kingston.  
*The Chancellor's*, \$70—W. D. MacIntosh, B.A., Bruce.  
*Spence*, \$60, (tenable for two years)—W. A. Dobson, B.A., Picton, Ont.

*Leitch Memorial No. 2*, \$30 (*tenable three years*)—R. H. Liggett, B.A., Garden Hill.

*Toronto*, \$60—J. Roy Gray, London.

*Rankine, No. 1*, \$45—D. C. Ramsay, M.A., Grand Valley.

*Rankine, No. 2*, \$45—L. K. Sully, B.A., Ottawa.

*St. Andrew's Church, Toronto*, \$45—R. J. McDonald, M.A., Golspie.

*Anderson, No. 1*, \$40—G. Shearer, Saskatchewan.

*Anderson, No. 2*, \$35—W. Stott, B.A., New Westminster.

*The Tawse*, \$40—J. L. Nicol, M.A., Jarvis.

*Glass Memorial*, \$30—J. W. Johnston, M.A., Toronto.

*Mackie*, \$25 (*books*)—J. Galloway, Foxboro.

*James Anderson Bursary*, \$25 (*Gaelic*)—H. D. McCuaig, B.A., Dalston.

*Mary Fraser McLennan*, \$12—C. B. Pitcher, Wilsonburgh.

*Lewis Prize*, \$25—J. O'Brien, Regina.

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EXAMINATIONS IN GRANT HALL.

## *Students' Day Proceedings.*

**S**TUDENTS' Day, in connection with the closing exercises, passed off quietly. The attendance in Convocation Hall was small, and very little amusement was afforded by those students who attended. J. H. Stead, M.A., M.D., President of the Alma Mater Society, was in the chair, and managed, by his presence alone, to maintain a respectable amount of order. The programme consisted merely of the four valedictories, and the singing of "Queen's College is Our Jolly Home" to the tune of the Doxology, as a finale.

Mr. T. J. Jewett, B.A., was the valedictorian from Divinity. In sonorous tones and with high-sounding epithets he gave expression to words of eulogy and favorable criticism of the work of the professors in the different departments of the faculty. Especial reference was made to the able manner in which Prof. Scott had taken up and was continuing the work previously carried on by Prof. John MacNaughton.

Mr. Hugh W. Macdonnell, M.A., was the spokesman for the graduating year in Arts. After deeply impressing the audience with the sadness and solemnity of the farewell which he was tendering to the College on behalf of his year (and the sadness of it was well emphasized by the tone in which it was uttered), he ventured to throw out a few suggestions to the faculty with regard to a few matters, which, in the opinion of '09, needed a little attention. One of these was the total absence of Hebrew literature as a subject of study on the Arts curriculum. It was maintained, and, we venture to suggest, rightly so, that no course in literature or philosophy could be called complete without at least a year's attention being given to this great and fundamental portion of the world's literature. Another matter which was emphasized was the worthlessness of the spring examination system as a test of what a man had procured, of real value from a college course. Some system of taking into account the work of each year would be a great improvement, and the method of monthly examinations, which works so successfully in some classes in Science, was advocated. Reference was also made to the honor system of holding examinations, in vogue in some English universities, and some points in its favor as contrasted with the "penitentiary" system in use here were referred to.

Mr. D. R. Cameron, M.A., M.D., valedictorian from '09 Medicine, expressed the thanks of the year for the kindly interest the professors had taken in their welfare and offered a few suggestions of improvements which might be made in the course. These were chiefly in the direction of recommending that everything possible be done to make the work as practical as is consistent with the means at the disposal of the faculty. Wherever laboratory work or practical demonstrations could replace lectures by all means make the change. The former would result in a saving of time to the students, and would leave a more lasting impression on their minds. System was advocated as a highly important factor in all branches of the work, and particular reference was made in this regard to the present method of allotting the privilege of assistance at surgical clinics at the hospitals.

The valedictory from Science, which was delivered by Mr. O. M. Perry, B.Sc., was particularly good. The opening paragraphs related to the work which it is the aim of the School of Practical Science to do for a student. The courses were intended merely to serve as a foundation upon which to build a superstructure of detail derived from experience. Several improvements were suggested in the different departments, and all were mentioned in the spirit of friendly criticism and the good of the School. In the final year in Civil Engineering, less theory and more practical work would result in a greater benefit to the student. A short course in commercial engineering was recommended, and the value of a training in the more practical sides of economics was strongly emphasized. The courses in Mining and Electrical Engineering were almost above criticism, and this fact is due mostly to the excellence of the staff in charge of them.

After this brief summary a few remarks on the manner of keeping Students' Day might not be out of place. It is well known that for the last two or three years the performance has fallen flat, to say the least. The valedictories are prepared with some difficulty by the committees in charge, and are delivered by the graduating years as a means of bidding a formal farewell to professors and students. As this only, ought the ceremonies of the day to be retained. The idea seems to have gained credit that the valedictories are vehicles in which the students have a means of "getting back" at the staff in a variety of mean ways for any injustices which they believe they have received at the hands of the professors. This, it can be assured, is a mistaken belief. Sensible criticism of the work of the staff has always been considered as a privilege given to the graduating classes on such occasions, but the value of the whole affair is lost, if the uttered words are to fall by the wayside. On Students' Day this year, the number of members from the staff that were present was small indeed. One, however, of them was there in the right spirit. He was apparently ready to consider the value of any suggestions that might be thrown out by the valedictorians, and had a pencil and piece of paper handy, so that he could take notes. It seems that the least that could be expected from the staff should be a fair representation of their numbers on the occasion of the exercises. Students have not gone through four years' training in different departments of study without having a fairly good idea of what is best and what is of least value in the courses. It is not contended that their advice should be taken at its face value, but it stands to reason that a professor who has got the interest of his department and of his students in his heart, will value to some extent the conclusions to which the graduating class as a class have reached with respect to his department during four years' attendance.

The appointment of a committee from the final years in the different faculties to look after the preparation of a programme for the afternoon would be greatly appreciated. Musical talent is by no means lacking among Queen's students, and there seems to be no reason why selections could not be rendered between valedictories in order to make the occasion of the farewell a little more inviting. If Students' Day is to mean anything at all, we might as well do all in our power to make it a success. It would be better to have none at all, than to have it celebrated as it has been for the past two years at least.

## Convocation.

ON Wednesday afternoon, April 28, the 68th annual Convocation was held. Grant Hall was full to overflowing, the fairer sex being very conspicuously in the majority. The millinery display was beyond description. The number of students present, outside of the graduates and prize-winners, was small, owing to the fact that the out-of-town ones had left for home about a week before.

The Chancellor called on Rev. D. R. Drummond, B.A., Hamilton, who was the chaplain of the day, to open the proceedings with a Scripture reading. The distribution of the prizes then took place, but many of the recipients were not on hand. The laureation of the new graduates was the next proceeding in order. Mr. H. T. Wallace, B.A., B.D., received a Ph.D., representative of three years' post-graduate work in Theology. A long line of M.A.'s, B.A.'s, M.D.'s, B.Sc.'s, followed two by two to the platform, and finally the graduates in Theology were presented with their testamurs.

As soon as this part of the ceremonies was over, four honorary degrees were conferred. Prof. H. A. Kennedy, M.A., D.Sc., of Knox College, Toronto, was presented by Dr. Ross for the degree of D.D. After a short sketch of his life, Dr. Kennedy was recommended to the Chancellor as well worthy of the honor about to be conferred. Prof. Kennedy made a brief but suitable acknowledgment of the honor which became his, and said that the knowledge of the high ideals for which Queen's stood pre-eminent in Canada, greatly enhanced in his judgment the honor that was being conferred upon him.

For the degree of LL.D., Prof. Cappon had much pleasure in presenting Mr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone. A few, only, of Mr. Bell's qualifications for the degree were enumerated, but these were his invention and patenting of the telephone in Canada, his endeavors in the science of aeronautics which were attracting world-wide attention, and last, but not least, his philanthropic efforts in connection with the invention of appliances which enable the deaf mute to triumph to some extent over his disabilities. Prof. Cappon said that Mr. Bell was already especially connected with Queen's on account of his father, Mr. Alex. M. Bell, who, many years ago, was Professor of Elocution here. It was regretted that the venerable scientist was unable to be present in person to receive the honor.

The third recipient of an honorary degree was Judge McGuire of Saskatchewan. Principal Gordon in presenting him to the Chancellor for an LL.D., said the University was recognizing one who had stood at the head of the legal profession in the Northwest Territories, and was expressing its interest and sincere good will towards the University of Saskatchewan, whose President had been for several years an honorary graduate of Queen's University. Judge McGuire was also unable to be present.

Prof. N. F. Dupuis had, then, the privilege of offering for the degree of LL.D. the person of one who was on all sides acknowledged to be one of the foremost astronomers in the world to-day, Prof. Barnard, of Yerkes Observatory, which is in connection with the University of Chicago. Prof. Barnard, in a short, but



highly appreciated speech, thanked Queen's for the honor, and showed the service done the world by the science of astronomy in undermining superstitious beliefs.

The exercises came to an end after the annual address to the graduates, which was given this year by Prof. Dupuis. The keynote of his remarks was: Have a purpose in life, and stick to it; do not be fanatical; and keep your minds open to conviction; follow your own course without regard for other people's opinions.

The singing of the national anthem brought the 68th Convocation to a satisfactory conclusion.

### *Economic Prize Essays.*

**A**N invitation is given to students of Canadian colleges, by Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, of the University of Chicago, and other educators, to compete for the prize essays offered by Hart Schaffner & Marx to encourage the study of business subjects. The competition for 1909 is now under way and will end the coming June. Subjects for 1910 have been suggested by the committees, as follows:

1. The effect of labor unions on international trade.
2. The best means of raising the wages of the unskilled.
3. A comparison between the theory and the actual practice of protectionism in the United States.
4. A scheme for an ideal monetary system for the United States.
5. The true relation of the central governments to trusts.
6. How much of J. S. Mills' economic system survives?
7. A central bank as a factor in a financial crisis.

The contestants are divided into two classes. Class A includes any American without restriction. Class B includes only those who, at the time of competing, are undergraduates of any American college. A first prize of \$600 and a second prize of \$400 are offered for the best studies presented by Class A; a first prize of \$300 and a second prize of \$200 are offered for the best studies presented by Class B. A member of Class B, however, may compete for the prizes of Class A.

Men or women who have not had a college training are eligible to compete under class C, to which a prize of \$500 is offered for the best essay, and for which the following subjects are suggested:

1. The most practical scheme for beginning a reduction of the tariff.
2. The value of government statistics of wages in the last ten or fifteen years.
3. Opportunities for expanding our trade with South America.
4. The organization of the statistical work of the United States.
5. Publicity and form of trust accounts.

The winning essays will be published in book form at the discretion of the committee, which, in addition to Professor Laughlin, consists of Professor J. B. Clark (Columbia University), Professor Henry C. Adams (University of Michigan), Horace Wright, Esq. (New York City), and Edwin F. Gay (Harvard University). The papers are to be handed in by June, 1910.

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## Editorials.

### THE WEEKLY JOURNAL.

THE committee in charge of the canvass made in March for support for a weekly JOURNAL, is happy to be able to announce that the scheme will be proceeded with. On nearly all hands canvassers were willingly met half-way and the desired number of promises obtained. It only remains for everyone to meet their pledges when college opens next fall. The business committee will have to count on the paid-up subscription of every student who signed, and it is hoped that no delay will be experienced in collecting the money.

The details of the new scheme are as yet only in the embryonic stage, but they will be worked out satisfactorily during the early part of the summer. Of course, an extra amount of work will fall to the lot of the new staff in getting the new magazine on a good running basis, but after the publication of the first number or two, things ought to run almost automatically. The labors of the staff would be greatly lightened, and the value of the publication greatly enhanced if the students and graduates who are spending the coming summer in a great variety of ways would each make up his or her mind to contribute something to the columns of the JOURNAL for the coming year. Do not wait until you are asked individually, and do not leave it all to the staff. Write up your summer's experience in the shape of an article, short or long, and send it to the editor-in-chief. The experiences of science men in particular always make very interesting reading, but too many of them remain "hidden under a bushel," even though the JOURNAL presents an admirable channel through which they could be communicated to those who are only too anxious to hear of them. The main desire of the retiring staff is that the undergraduates, as well as the graduates, will supply material for the JOURNAL, and so make the paper a real student publication.

"The Third Annual Directory of the Graduates and Students of the School of Mining" was ready for distribution at the middle of last month. Although, as yet, it is only of comparatively small dimensions, the annual growth in size which it has already shown, bespeaks, in the course of a few years, a volume of prepossessing appearance and of no mean significance. As it is gotten up at present it reflects the very greatest credit on the committee in charge. In many ways it will necessarily advance the interests of the graduates of the School, and one of its greatest advantages is the connection it is bound to keep up between the Engineering Society and the graduates and undergraduates. Two new lists are added this year—a list of "Addresses Wanted," which, the committee may be proud to say, contains only six names; and another of "Graduates and Alumni in the Different Provinces and States," with their present addresses. This latter list ought to be of inestimable benefit to Queen's men in no matter what part of the continent they are situated or are travelling. For the man going into new fields, especially, it ought to afford a means of introduction, which can not be lightly passed over.

To make the Directory a complete success, the co-operation of every Science man, and almost of every Queen's man in general, is needed. Change of address or change of employment on the part of any man whose name is, or should be, in the Directory, must be forwarded to the committee, for entry.

An important branch of the work carried on in connection with the Directory is that of keeping in touch with both the demand and the supply side of the engineering profession. This clearing-house aspect is a commendable one, and students or graduates out of employment may, by communicating with the Secretary, obtain situations of whose vacancy he has been informed. The list of graduates will soon be so large, that it will only be through their own efforts that the completeness at present attained by the Directory may be sustained.

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### *Editorial Notes.*

The JOURNAL extends congratulations to those students who were successful in the examinations, and particularly to those who are leaving the old halls for good, and going into their respective lines of work with the advantage of a college training. Those of the graduates who had the pleasure of listening to the Baccalaureate sermon given by Rev. D. R. Drummond, Hamilton, will not forget the words of warning to which he gave expression towards the end of his address, and especially the following command which seemed to be the keynote of it all: Bear in mind the responsibilities of your endowment.

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To those who have been unsuccessful to any degree, it is scarcely necessary to say that their fellow-students are sorry for them—that is a foregone conclusion. However, it may be well to assure them that their failure lowers them not at all in the estimation of their friends. Some have been sorely handicapped in their efforts this spring by illness or misfortune of some kind. Such circum-

stances are not forgotten in drawing conclusions. In all cases it is hoped that the present failure may only be a spur to greater and highly successful efforts in the course of the coming year.

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Especial congratulations are due to Miss Muriel G. Shortt, B.A., who is the first graduate from Queen's of the second generation—that is, whose father and mother are both graduates. This is a mark of honor of which Miss Shortt may be deservedly proud, and the JOURNAL, which has been indebted to her during the past year for a great deal of conscientious assistance, has great pleasure in extending to her its redoubled congratulations.

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The JOURNAL congratulates Prof. N. F. Dupuis on his approaching laurea-tion as an LL.D. of McGill University. Few men, in our eyes, are more worthy of the honor about to be conferred upon him, for the development of the scientific departments of Queen's, and of the School of Mining, of which he is Dean, has been largely due to his efforts alone. At first he was Professor of Chemistry; after a few years, Biology, Mineralogy and Geology were successively added to his department; but in 1880 he was transferred to the Chair of Mathematics, which he still holds, and he has made it one of the strongest departments of which Queen's can boast. He is well known among Queen's men for his clear-ness and enthusiasm as a teacher, for his ingenuity as a practical craftsman, and above all, for his versatility and manual skill. We think we are safe in saying that his modesty alone prevented the earlier public acknowledgment of his services in the interests of science; and every student will be glad to think that next fall he is to be greeted as Dr. Dupuis.

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The annual hackneyed farewell to our readers has once more to be made on behalf of the staff. On the issue of this number we lay down our pens, and leave the work to be taken up by a new committee of workers. During our term of office we have sincerely done our best by the JOURNAL, and endeavored to the ut-most of our ability to reflect student opinion, and to report student life. This we can say without any suspicion of boasting, and in so far as it was our best we deem that no apology is necessary. To all those students who have done anything in their power to help the JOURNAL by support or encouragement, we are especially grateful, and hope the same attitude will characterize the readers of next year's volume. It may be well to add that greater co-operation on the part of the whole student body, with the editorial committee, will be necessary next year to make the weekly periodical a success. The reportorial work will have to be well or-ganized, and some means of communication established between the secretaries of the different organizations and the sub-editors of the JOURNAL. To those who have items of news or interest, that should be published, we say,—give it to one of the editors, or place it in the post office for him; but do not leave it to him to look you up. A system of co-operation such as is here indicated will tend greatly to make the new venture a pronounced success, and to augment the esteem in which the JOURNAL is held in the eyes of our exchanges.

From the incoming staff, which is an especially strong one, the readers have a right to expect much, and we venture to say that their expectations will be by no means disappointed.

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It is interesting to notice that a large percentage of last year's rugby team is represented among the graduates of this spring. J. J. McCann is now an M.D., and winner of the medal in Medicine. W. E. Lawson got a B.Sc. and took honors in Mining Engineering. E. L. Bruce also secured a B.Sc., with honors in Chemistry and Mineralogy. H. W. Macdonnell graduated as M.A., and won the medal in Greek; L. L. Buck and O. W. Murphy secured M.D.'s, and F. A. Brewster a B.Sc. V. W. Crawford, A. B. Turner, and K. F. A. Williams received B.A.'s. From such an imposing list, readers may draw their own conclusions with regard to the rugby played at Queen's.

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Just before going to press comes an unofficial report to the effect that Prof. Nicol will transfer to the account of the Directors of the School of Mines the sum of \$40,000, on condition that he be given an annuity. It is understood that the money will be used to erect a new mining building. In the hope that the rumor is authentic, the JOURNAL, on behalf of the students, herewith publishes its keen appreciation of the gift. It has always been a well known fact that there is not a better Queen's man around the institution than Prof. Nicol.

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The foundation of the new Observatory has already been laid. The site chosen for the building is the southern side of Stuart street, just where University avenue joins it. A direct north and south line is most conveniently obtained from this situation. Practical demonstrations in mathematical astronomy will likely be on the curriculum for the next year.

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PRINCE RUPERT HARBOUR, B.C.

## *Ladies.*



ON Friday, April 23, the first girls' graduating luncheon of Queen's was given by the city girls of '09 to the out-of-town girls of the year. Miss May Macdonnell, the permanent vice-president, assisted by Miss M. Shortt, received in the Levana room, and from thence they adjourned to the Red Room, where the table was set for twenty-three. Six of the '10 girls kindly acted as waitresses, and certainly made everything run very smoothly. The table was decorated with ferns and college ribbons and on each place card a suitable quotation. The menu was fairly simple but contained several very unique dishes, which were appreciated by all the girls. Miss Shortt proposed the toast "'09 Arts," which was responded to by Miss LaChance. Miss Lauder then proposed "The Gentlemen," and Miss Summerby and Miss Walker replied; and to "Our Reunion," proposed by Miss Girdler, Miss Phillips and Miss Raitt replied. The guests then drank to the hostesses, and a vote of thanks was moved to the waitresses, which was ably responded to by Miss M. Chown. A very clever topical song was sung during the course of the luncheon, by Miss May Macdonnell, who also presided at the table. After the luncheon, several pictures were taken, and the girls gathered around the piano to sing college songs for the last time together.

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Three of our girls have carried off medals this year: Miss J. Muir, '07, in German; Miss E. Code, '08, in French; and Miss M. Macdonnell, '09, in Latin. The girls all extend congratulations.

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The number of '09 girls to get B.A. degrees this year is somewhat lessened by the rather large number who are waiting till next year to get M.A.'s. Miss Code is the only girl to get an M.A. this year, but we hope to see many more next year.

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The girls extend congratulations to Mrs. G. B. Wylie, '09's latest to join the matrimonial ranks.

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The girls extend sincerest sympathy to Miss Harriet Watson and Miss Helen Drummond, who were unable, through illness, to write on their exams., for we all knew that they were two of our brightest and cleverest girls, who usually take first place.



"Graduated we may be,  
And scattered through the land,  
Still, in common love to Queen's,  
United we will stand,  
Loyal as in by-gone days,  
On the old Ontario Strand,  
When we were going to College."

—*Maiden's Melody.*



AN OPTICAL ILLUSION.



## Science.

THE final year held their farewell dinner at the Congress hotel on Friday evening, April 23rd. Nearly forty of the members were present. The regular number of toasts were proposed and replied to in a fitting manner. W. M. Campbell gave one of his inimitable readings from Drummond, while G. M. Thomson ably rendered the following final year song, written especially for the occasion by an old member of the year:

Once again '09 has gathered,  
Once again her members stand,  
The last survivors of the class,  
The class that shook the land.  
Four years of work and pleasure,  
We've won our B.Sc.;  
We fondly hope the years to come  
Will bring our life's degree.  
Of all years, she's the crown—  
Here's '09! Drink her down.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
Let us drink to our fame,  
And go down dying game,  
And it looks like a big night to-night.

We came from distant countries,  
From city, bush and farm;  
Eastward, westward, north and south,  
From regions cold and warm,  
To represent the world at large,  
In awkwardness and jeans;  
We rounded up the year '05—  
Our freshman year at Queen's—  
At the parting of the ways,  
Let's drink to "Freshman days."

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
Here's to the victories we've won  
And the days that are done;  
And it looks like a big night to-night.

Our second year came grim and cold  
Once more in Science Hall,  
But few of '09 answered  
When the Science roll was called;  
For Destiny shall not be wooed—  
To win her you must fight;  
And though the path be rough and steep,  
It leads up to the light  
And in looking back—I think,  
To our absent ones we'll drink.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
Though we have seen our members pass,  
We're at heart the same old class;  
And it looks like a big night to-night.

There are some among our members  
 Who trod with solemn pace  
 The winding path which, followed, brings  
 The idol of our race;  
 Yet, others wandered in the dark,  
 And quaffed the flowing cup—  
 To them we say, "The time is past  
 When the old man settles up."  
 For now when we are broke,  
 We only bear the yoke.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
 Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
 Let us drink to the man  
 And for Queen's College stand;  
 For it looks like a big night to-night.

The past is best forgotten,  
 The ore is roasted sweet;  
 Each sample assayed high per cent.,  
 The world is at our feet.  
 Though paths are steep and rugged,  
 And years are by us whirled,  
 We'll break the line with flying wedge  
 And cyanide the world,  
 So that when we pass beyond  
 Our name will be our bond.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
 Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
 Here's to lives that are true,  
 Though the dollars be few;  
 And it looks like a big night to-night.

When we've fought our fight with life  
 And know the battle's won,  
 Then each shall wear his laurels  
 While the nations shout "Well done";  
 And when the sands of life have run  
 And each has done his best,  
 We hope we'll stand together  
 Where the weary are at rest.  
 Once more, together clink,  
 To our cherished hopes let's drink.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
May your path be straight and true—  
Naughty Nine, here's to you;  
And it looks like a big night to-night.

Our college days are over,  
The world seems free from pain,  
And never in this span of life  
Shall '09 meet again;  
So, here's all hail, to you, my friend,  
Old comrade, tried and true,  
We grasp your hand and wish you luck,  
Once more, '09, to you.  
And the girl who waits for you,  
May her heart be ever true.

*Chorus—*

It looks to me like a big night to-night,  
Big night to-night, big night to-night;  
And as the smoke around us curls,  
Let us drink to lonesome girls;  
And it looks like a big night to-night.

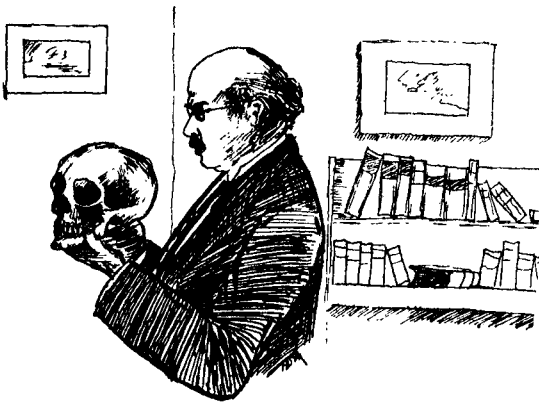
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The results of the exams. are out and a perusal of the lists shows that a great many have fallen by the wayside. To the successful ones we extend every congratulation, while to those who failed we can only wish better luck next time.

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The graduating class met at Dr. Goodwin's on Friday afternoon, April 23rd, and informally discussed several matters of importance to graduates old and new. The one of most interest was that relative to class reunions at regular intervals of, say, every four or five years,—the idea being to keep alive as long as possible the keen college and class spirit that helps to make our course here the best years of one's life. Most graduating classes go out fully intending to hold these reunions at some future time, but once away from the halls and class-rooms, and with no one to take the initiative, the good intentions seem to die away. But worked in connection with the annual Science Dinner, and with the assistance of the Professors and the Extension Scheme Committee here, there seems to be no good reason why in a few years every term should not see the reunion of one or more classes, the number of classes, of course, increasing every year, once the idea is fully worked out and inaugurated.

## Medicine.



IN this, the last number of the JOURNAL for this term, it is only fitting that we should extend to this year's graduates our best wishes for their future success and prosperity in the profession. Many of the boys have secured house surgeoncies in various hospitals and will be right in professional work before long. Some are waiting for the Council examinations, and others are leaving for distant

lands. Soon enough '09 will be scattered far and wide, and we can rest assured that its members will always have a warm spot in their hearts for their Alma Mater. Here's luck to you, doctors.

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Dr. J. E. Brunet has been appointed house surgeon in the Water Street General Hospital, Ottawa.

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Dr. C. W. Burns is house surgeon at Rockwood.

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Dr. D. E. Mundell has long been considered by the members of the graduating class as the best lecturer in the College. To this must now be added that as a host Dr. Mundell has few equals and no superiors. His dinner to the members of '09, held at the British American Hotel on Tuesday, April 20th, was at his special request not a "speaking dinner," and those who had the honor of proposing or responding to the toasts bore this in mind. Of the excellence of the repast but little need be said; the fact that the manager did his very best is sufficient. Principal Gordon, Dean Connell and Dr. Williamson were also present and their brief remarks were listened to with great interest.

Mr. J. H. Stead, M.A., acted as toast-master, performing his duties with excellent judgment and tact. Toasts to "Queen's," "Our Host," "The days that are no more," and "The Ladies," were proposed by Messrs. Dawson, McKinnon, McCann and J. J. McPherson, respectively, and responded to by Principal Gordon, Dr. Mundell, Dean Connell and Dr. Williamson. Musical selections were so well rendered by members of the year that all were encored, Messrs. Dunham, Quinn, Bracken, Lermont, Brunet, Knight, McPherson and Salmon taking part. While there was an undercurrent of sadness throughout, since this was probably the last time that all would meet together, all enjoyed themselves thoroughly and wished there were more to come.

## *Athletics.*

THE Hockey Club signified their appreciation of the work done on their behalf by Dr. J. J. Harty, by presenting him with a very handsome shield, engraved with the honors won by the team this year. The presentation was made at a dinner given to the members of the Executive and the first team by Mr. V. Crawford, who for four years has played centre. Dr. Harty was a famous centre in his days at Queen's and has never lost interest in the hockey at Queen's. For years he has given much time and thought, coaching the team throughout the season. While nothing we could do could repay him for his efforts, this memento of the occasion when Queen's were amateur champions of Canada as well as of the Intercollegiate Union, will prove to Dr. Harty that we fully appreciate what he has done.

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The Science Faculty purpose, we are told, erecting a new building where the cinder court now lies. We hope that the Faculty and the Athletic Committee will co-operate and see that the upper campus is not injured, and that all building material and debris is removed before the beginning of football practices. The upper campus is in none too good shape as it is and a little attention would obliterate the holes, one of which cost a player a broken leg last fall. We would also urge the Athletic Committee to have a good supply of well-padded suits on hand for the players before the season opens. It is in the early practices before the men are in good shape that so many seemingly trifling injuries, often with serious after-effects, occur, and prevention is of much greater value than cure.

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On the evening of Friday, March 26, the members of the Rugby Team of last fall, and those of the Senior Hockey team of last winter, were entertained at dinner at the Principal's residence. Covers were laid for about thirty-five, and the conversation of the occasion turned almost entirely on football and hockey. At the upper end of the table, however, and close to the Principal, were seated the members of the victorious debating teams, who successfully upheld the honor of Queen's, and consequently added another much coveted trophy to the collection in the College Library. Three or four of the professors were also there, probably because it was thought that their subduing presence might have the effect of impressing on such an athletic gathering that after all things of the mind are the all-important matters. The nearness of the examinations also rendered very significant the presence of these professors.

The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. A series of short speeches were made by many on whom the Principal chose to call, and the extemporaneous quality of these, as well as the lack of a hard and fast toast list, added to the comfort and sociability of the gathering. The captain of next year's rugby team accurately expressed the sentiments of everyone present when he said that the Principal's fine hospitality was a great incentive to the players to do their utmost for the honor of Queen's.

## Alumni.

C. J. Curtin, B.Sc., '07, has gone to Coleman, B.C., to accept a position as mine surveyor there.

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K. S. Twitchell, B.Sc., and Colin Orford, B.Sc., '08, have been granted the degree of M.E.

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Mr. A. A. Fleming, B.Sc., '07, superintendent of the International Portland Cement Co.'s works at Hull, Que., has been purchasing real estate in Ottawa. Wonder why?

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The new directory of graduates and alumni of the School of Mining has just been issued. Other faculties depend entirely upon the annual calendar as a means to discover the whereabouts of other students, but this departure on the part of the Engineering Society and the Mining Faculty is a good one, and might well be imitated by the other faculties.

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The engagement is announced of Miss Grace Louise Connor, M.A., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Connor, Kingston, to Mr. William Walker Swanson, M.A., Ph.D., Professor of Political Science, Queen's University. The marriage will take place in July.

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## Book Review.

*History of Canada, Part I: New France*; being Vol. V of a 'Historical Geography of the British Colonies'; by C. P. Lucas, C.B., of Baliol College, Oxford. Publishers for Canada: Oxford University Press, Toronto. Price, \$1.50.

THIS little volume of three hundred and fifty pages treats particularly of one aspect of the early settlement of Canada, that of colonization. It does not pretend to give any fullness of historical detail—this can be obtained from many other books—but to trace out carefully the methods adopted by the French in the early colonization and opening up of Canada, to contrast them with those of the English in peopling the New England and southern colonies; and to follow out the influence which the geography of the countries concerned had on the immediate and ultimate results of the colonization. The book is well written and the paragraphs are well titled along the margins of the pages. In order to fully appreciate what the book intends to convey, one has to bring to its perusal a fair knowledge of the history of New France and of the English colonies along the New England coast. The dissimilarity in the development and conditions of growth of the English and French colonies, due to the difference of the spirit in which the colonization was effected, is very well brought out; and it is shown that the advantage possessed by the English settlements in respect of this was a very great factor in determining the final supremacy of the Anglo-Saxons in America.



## *Arts.*

THE session just brought to a close has been a remarkably good one as regards the work of the different departments. While it would hardly be fair to take the honour classes in all departments as the criterion of the condition of things, still to a certain extent this can be done, and in the case of the majority of departments the result is anything but discouraging. The classes in Political Science, English, and History were especially strong in number of students and in quality of work done. In Political Science, for instance, the class has been regarded by some as a better one than the famous '05 class, which included among others the present assistant in Political Science. On the whole, the outcome of the year's work in the Arts Faculty may be regarded as highly gratifying.

Something was said in the Arts valedictory in connection with the present system of examinations, and a suggestion was made that few students would not welcome a change from the existing method of having practically the only test of the year's work in the spring. One or two of the Science professors, one in particular, had instituted the practice of holding monthly examinations for his own satisfaction and incidentally for the welfare of his students. Would it not be possible to introduce some such system into Arts? The examinations in the Pass classes at Christmas do not really affect the situation as they should, for the reason that they are not, as yet, regarded as on a par with the spring tests, which are considered by many students as the "be-all and end-all" of the year's work. There is reason to believe that a system of monthly examinations would go far to relieve the situation, and that the results would be more satisfactory to those who teach and those who learn. It is to be hoped that before another session comes and goes, some steps will be taken to remedy what does seem to be a real evil. It might be added that such a move would not be without precedent as some of the American universities, notably Harvard, have long been working along the lines suggested.

It is to be regretted that the proceedings on Students' Day should not be marked by more attractiveness and life. Though somewhat better than similar affairs of previous years, the proceedings this year were anything but enlivening. In the old days, of course, the valedictories were given at Convocation, but from all accounts, there were good reasons for making the change to the present system. However, there is no reason why the thing should be allowed to become perfunctory and lifeless. Here again we might well take a leaf from the book of the American colleges, where a great deal of attention is paid to the "commencement" exercises, which include a valedictory address as one of the most important features. Then again, the thing would re-act on itself, and if more attention were paid to these addresses they would be of a better quality. It would be considered an honour to be appointed valedictorian, and men would not regard it as a thing to be unloaded on the devoted head of any innocent fellow-student who will undertake it. At present the professors, with two or three exceptions, seem to

make it a point to be absent, which is a pity. No doubt, however, there is more or less justification for this in the fact that some years ago, certain valedictorians took it on themselves to score certain members of the faculty in every possible and impossible way. That aspect of things has greatly improved in the last few years and there is reason to hope that before long a change will come in the direction of a more attractive Students' Day gathering.

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The Baccalaureate service was a notable one, among other reasons, because the professors turned out in something like respectable numbers. For the most part this session the platform has been decidedly empty, and it was particularly gratifying to see the faculty well represented, on the occasion of the address to the graduating class, at least.

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## *Exchanges.*

AT last the time has come for the JOURNAL staff of '08-'09 to write their last "copy" and then to give over to other hands their somewhat exacting duties. As we look back over the session just closed we have to confess that the work in connection with the exchanges has not been at all unpleasant. In the first place the exchange man, from the nature of his work, must learn something of quite a number of schools and colleges. The life of any college is to some extent reflected in her student publications, and in any case it is always of interest to learn how other students view affairs more or less common to students everywhere. Then, again, the "exchange copy" stands excellent chances of being handed down to posterity without having received any very marked attention. This is pleasant in that it gives one a chance to say what he thinks without shocking the modesty of many people. Only the literary masterpieces with which the comments on exchanges have the honor to appear, give the work some appearance of permanence and makes us dare to hope that those coming after may be able to say with some measure of truth, "Gone, but not forgotten."

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The following poem was written especially for the Victoria College section of *Torontonensis*, 1909.

### L'ENVOI.

We stand for the last time together,  
Hand to hand, face to face, heart to heart;  
A day may divide us forever,  
We'll sing one more song ere we part.  
As friends, when the banquet is ending,  
Stand closer to give one last cheer,  
So to-night let our voices, all blending,  
Ring out our last song, loud and clear.

Not a bright flower-garland is faded,  
 Every wine-cup with roses is drest :  
 Not a face at the banquet is jaded  
 The last of the feast is the best.  
 Yet a shade falls across all the brightness  
 From the wings of the hours flying past,  
 Every heart feels a weight on its lightness,  
 The thought that the best is the last.

Each rose is a vanishing-pleasure,  
 Which memory plucks to enfold,  
 In her many-leaved book as a treasure  
 More precious than jewels or gold.  
 Long after its color has perished,  
 Long after its freshness has flown,  
 The rose for its fragrance is cherished,  
 To tell of the days that are gone.

Here's a health to the hours departed,—  
 Farewell to our glad college years !  
 Here's a health to the future,—light hearted,  
 We greet it with hope, not with fears.  
 One more,—'tis the last ere we sever,  
 Each voice in the chorus rings free ;  
 Our college ! we'll love her forever,—  
 Here's a health, Alma Mater, to thee.

—Henry VanDyke.

## *De Nobis.*

Prof. C--p-n (after reading a bundle of exam. papers late at night)—There was something I wanted to do—what on earth was it?

(After thinking about it for half an hour)—Aha ! now I know. I wanted to go to bed.

Miss R---n—You've got an awful cold, M--rg--r-t-.

Miss St--rt—Yes, I guess I must have got it from one of the boys at the house.

D. C. R---y (on the way over to write an exam.)—What are you wearing a coat for this hot afternoon, M-cArth-r?

M. N. Om-nd—He wants to keep in all the hot air he is going to shoot out when he gets into Grant Hall.

Clergy Street Boarding-House.

Miss D. Ste-a-t—Where is Mr. Fo-r-s-er to-night?

Landlady—Oh, he has been invited out to dinner to-night.

Miss D. Ste-a-t—Lucky boy!

Exit the landlady.

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1st Student—Can you tell me what is meant by “an absolute feeling magnitude?”

2nd Student—Why, what are you reading? Dr. Johnson?

1st Student—No; I'm reading one of Prof. Swa-s-n's lectures.

2nd Student—Oh, I thought you were reading English.

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Prof. M-r-s-n, to St-w-rt—Come around to the house to-morrow night, between seven and eight, and if I'm not there, I'll most likely be out.

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A. S. B-rtr-m (to his friends)—“Gee! these chocolates are good; why don't you fellows buy some?”

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It has been rumored about the Medical building that Dr. L. M. D-ws-n is going to take a course in *Glasgow*.

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(Copied from the *Trinity Review*)—Why is it that so many of our exchanges think it necessary to present their readers in each issue with several pages filled with jokes which hardly rise to the level of humor attained by the colored supplement of American journalism? We regret to notice here that *Queen's University JOURNAL* is one among the many offenders. With profound apologies to our readers we venture to reproduce a few samples:

B-ll Kennedy to W-lt-r—“Say, if you're going down street, get some meat.”

W-lt-r—“What kind shall I get?”

B-ll—“O, get some orange meat, it is easier fried.”—*Queen's University Journal*.

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8. First meeting of High School Boards and Boards of Education. [H. S. Act, sec. 13 (1)]. *(1st Wednesday in February).*

**March:**

1. Inspectors' Annual Reports to Department, due. [P. S. Act, sec. 87 (5)]. *(On or before 1st March).*  
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Separate School supporters to notify Municipal Clerks. [S. S. Act, sec. 42 (1)]. *(On or before 1st March).*
31. Night Schools close (Session 1908-1909). Reg. 16. *(Close 31st March).*

**April:**

1. Returns by Clerks of counties, cities, etc., of population, to Department, due. [P. S. Act, sec. 73]. *(On or before 1st April).*
8. High Schools, second term, and Public and Separate Schools close. [H. S. Act, sec. 45; P. S. Act, sec. 96; Sep. Sch. Act, sec. 81]. *(Thursday before Easter Sunday).*
9. GOOD FRIDAY.
12. EASTER MONDAY.
13. Annual Meeting of the Ontario Educational Association at Toronto. *(During Easter Vacation).*
15. Reports on Night Schools due (Session 1908-1909). *(Not later than the 15th April).*
19. High Schools, third term, and Public and Separate Schools open after Easter Holidays. [H. S. Act, sec. 45; P. S. Act, sec. 96; S. S. Act, sec. 81]. *(Second Monday after Easter Sunday).*

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